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## LAST EDITION.

### SARA AT A SEANCE.

Mme. Bernhardt Saw Some Spooks and Got Mad at Them.

The Actress Accused Medium Carrie Sawyer of Trickery.

Tried to Smash the Cabinet and Humiliated Her Leading Man.

Mme. Bernhardt, with her son and her daughter-in-law, went on board the steamship La Bretagne soon after midnight this morning and sailed for France at 4 a. m. today. She had just closed her season in this country with the play of "Fedora" at the Metropolitan Opera-house.



Since her departure it has been learned that Mme. Bernhardt, during the last week of her stay in this city, had some very curious, not to say sensational, spiritualistic experiences.

These occurred at the house of Mrs. Carrie M. Sawyer, a spiritualist medium, at 722 West Twenty-first street, where a seance was given last Thursday night, which included the materialization of a number of departed spirits for the exclusive benefit of the great actress.

Prof. Henry J. Newton, who is one of the high prophets of Spiritualism, and Albert Darmont, and one of two other members of Mme. Bernhardt's company, were with her. The story is that Mme. Bernhardt, after witnessing several alleged materializations and seeing articles of furniture and bric-a-brac wafted about the room by some unseen power, became convinced that she was being tricked, particularly as she could get no satisfactory communications from the materialized spirits.

The first spirit to appear was a child named "Maudie," whom Mrs. Sawyer calls her "spirit control." Maudie resembled Mme. Bernhardt's picture in exchange for the actress's.

After a dozen more spirits had come from the cabinet and vanished into space cold air seemed to rush into the room, and a spirit appeared which was heralded as that of a woman who had been drowned in the Bay of Havre. It cried: "Help, help! Save me, save me!" and vanished.

It repeated in a moment. It asked to speak to Mme. Bernhardt, and the actress advanced to the cabinet and took its hands. The form looked like a corpse and its hands were wet, Madame said. It gave a gasp and disappeared. Sara dropped back into her seat.

"I take her hand," she said. "I scratch. I try to make the spirit cry. I fear to speak with my nails. She screams at last."

She got into a towering rage and stormed furiously about the room, screaming in tragic tones that she had been duped and accusing every body of fraud and trickery.

Then she rushed to the cabinet and tried to open it, and when she found that it was locked she pounded on the door with her fists and threatened to demolish everything in the place.

She was particularly incensed against Mr. Darmont, her leading man, whom she charged with being a confederate of the medium and in a conspiracy to deceive her. She finally left the house with a parting shot at the French professor who had induced her to go there, making him and the rest of the company feel very uncomfortable, since then the Divine Sara has taken no interest in matters spiritualistic.

An Evansville World reporter went to the medium's house at 232 West Twenty-first street this morning and saw Mrs. Sawyer, who is a large woman with light yellow hair and in the neighborhood of forty years old. In answer to inquiries about the Bernhardt seance, she said it was true that the actress had been there to see the ghosts and receive communications from the spirit-land.

## DIED WITH HER CAT.

Mme. De Fenelon and Her Black Pet Asphyxiated Together.

Gas Turned On in a Gas Stove When Their Bodies Were Found.

The Elderly Teacher of Elocution Probably a Suicide.

Mme. Fenelon, who has for many years been a teacher of elocution and French in this city, was found dead in her room at 107 East Thirty-first street this morning under circumstances which point to suicide.

The room was full of gas, which was escaping from the tube of a small gas-stove which she used to cook her meals and warm her room.

Mme. Fenelon, who was about fifty years old, was tall and dignified in appearance, and associated with her fellow-lodgers at Mrs. Voorhees's boarding house, she took none of the day with her pupils, of whom she seemed to have a good many among the wealthy families uptown.

She had no school, but gave private lessons, she had at one time been an actress, Mrs. Voorhees said, and was the widow of James O'Brien, once a well-known comedian in this city.

She came to live at 107 East Thirty-first street last Fall, and occupied a little room on the top floor for which she paid \$2 a week. She was accustomed to go abroad, it is said, almost every year and on these occasions she would always take with her a pet black cat which she said formerly belonged to her husband.

The cat, which was the inseparable companion of Mme. Fenelon, was also found dead in the room this morning, having been suffocated by the gas.

The attention of Mr. Campbell, one of the lodgers in the house, was attracted about 7.30 o'clock this morning by the strong smell of gas on the top floor. It was found that it came from Mme. Fenelon's room.

The door was locked. It was broken open by a policeman who was hurriedly summoned and the old lady was found lying dead on her bed. She was attired in her night clothing.

No letters or any writing was found explaining her motive for suicide, if such it was. Mrs. Voorhees said that the gas was turned on accidentally, and that there was no intention on the part of Mme. Fenelon to kill herself. The cat was stretched out on the floor, dead.

The body lay at the house all the morning, awaiting the arrival of the coroner. Mrs. Voorhees said she had sent word to her lodger's death to some friends who live in Twenty-ninth street and that they had promised to take charge of her body.

She had no relatives in this city, it is said. Only \$2.70 was found in her purse, but she is believed to have a considerable amount of money deposited in some bank. A jeweled bracelet, said to be worth \$1,000, and other valuable jewelry was found in her room.

According to Mrs. Voorhees the dead woman had been complaining recently of malaria and had several times consulted a doctor. She did not show any signs of serious depression.

A story to the effect that Mme. Fenelon had tried to throw herself from an upper window of the house recently and was prevented by some of the lodgers was denied at the house.

## JESSIE MAY GOING HOME.

An Ohio Officer Takes Charge of the Little Runaway.

Jessie May Howell, the thirteen-year-old girl who ran away from her home at Mount Union, O., last Monday, will be taken back to her mamma to-night by an Ohio officer.

The little runaway stuck to her original yarn that an uncle named Richard Johnson had been caught by the police and was being held in the Grand Central Depot, where she was found Tuesday night, and all the questions of the Ohio officer failed to shake her in the least. He says it is true that Jessie broke her brother's trunk open and stole \$14, and thereupon induced Charlie Vesper to run away with her.

Charlie was taken to the depot at Allentown, O., but Jessie May was kept enough to escape. The boy was taken back to Mount Union, where he will be joined next Wednesday by Jessie, and both of them will be sent to the Reform School.

## RUN OVER ON BROADWAY.

An Unknown Little Boy Fatally Hurt by a Heavy Truck.

An unknown boy, about eleven years old, was run over by a heavy wagon at 1.35 o'clock this afternoon on Broadway, just opposite Spedding's sporting goods store.

An ambulance was summoned from Chamber Street Hospital. It was said the boy was fatally injured. His neck was dislocated.

The driver of the wagon, which belongs to Henry J. Bahr, of 260 Graham avenue, Brooklyn, was arrested.

Wire News in Brief.

A destructive fire started in the northern townships of Hastings County, Ontario. Buildings were blown to pieces and other extensive damage was done.

A man named Charbonneau, who was shot by a bullet from a rifle at Kingston last night, died Tuesday, April 23.

## MRS. WALDEN'S NOTE.

The Murderess Writes Her Lawyer She "Will End All."

Explains This as Meaning She Will Not Go to Prison for Life.

Satisfied with the Verdict, but Declares the Trial Unfair.

Frank Annie Walden, the slayer of her nineteen-year-old husband, declared today that she was satisfied with the verdict of murder in the second degree, pronounced against her last night by the jury before whom she was tried in the Court of Oyer and Terminer.



ANNE WALDEN.

"I am satisfied if other people are," she said, with a defiant toss of her pretty head. "I can't do anything," she added, spreading her slender white hands out before her.

"How can I help myself? But I will never spend the rest of my life in prison."

This with a light pressure of her full lips and a dilatation of her nostrils.

The case was given to the jury in a brief and pointed charge by Judge Ingraham at 3.30 o'clock last evening. The jury was out till 6 o'clock. Then it came in to ask this question for Juror Humental:

"Did it appear that James Walden struck his wife a blow before she fired the fatal shot?"

"Yes," she swore he did. But a disinterested policeman swore that he struck no blow, but was, on the contrary, turning away from her, said the judge.

The jury retired again, and in ten minutes returned with a verdict of murder in the second degree.

Annie Walden received it without emotion. She sank down in her old place on the shoulder of a female friend, but arose a moment later and walked firmly out of court with Deputy Sheriff Brown.

Mr. Howe was given till Wednesday next to prepare his argument on a motion for a new trial. This morning the lawyer received this note from Mrs. Walden:

MR. HOWE: I am very sorry to have made you so much trouble and I am sure you have done me a great deal of good. I am sure you will reward me, if not in this world, in the next.

"I am not as black as I am painted, although I have been unfortunate and weak. Thanking you for your good-faith and for the help you have given me, I will say good-by forever. Your unfortunate friend and client, Annie Walden."

It was when asked what she meant when she wrote, "I will end all," that she replied: "I will never spend my life in prison."

"I was not fairly tried," said Annie Walden, who will be confined in the State Prison with her witnesses and kept them away from court. Had I known it I would have told more than I did."

"But Jimmie's father, Jeter Walden, said there, staring me in the face, and I had not time to tell the whole truth about his son."

The matrons say that Annie has not eaten a morsel of food since Monday last. She has been under the doctor's care ever since her arrest on Oct. 12. Last Monday, Mrs. Walden's body was a mass of bruises which she was arrested.

She said she was sure she would surely have been convicted of murder if her sex saved her. The jurymen say frankly that her sex saved her. The jurymen say that she was a murderer in the first degree, five for murder in the second degree and two for manslaughter.

## FOUND DYNAMITE BOMBS.

Large Stock Discovered in a Hoboken Anarchist's Home.

Information was today given to the Hoboken police by the wife of George Stockley, an Anarchist, who was a few days ago sent to jail for an assault, that Stockley had threatened to blow up Recorder McDonough and others as soon as he got free.

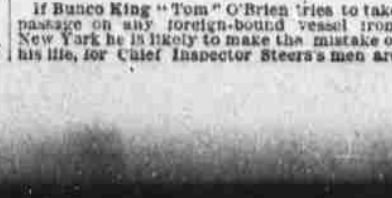
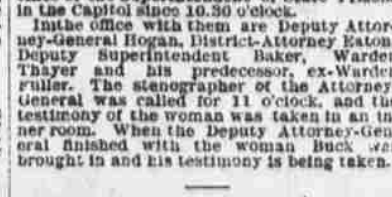
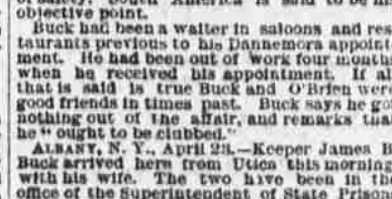
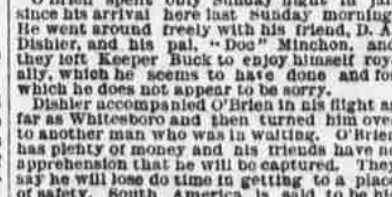
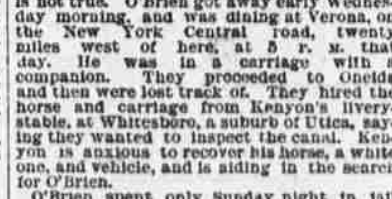
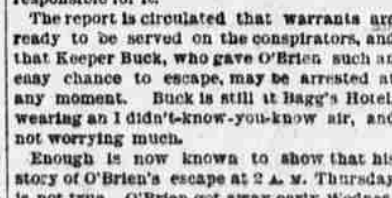
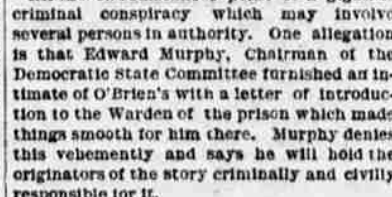
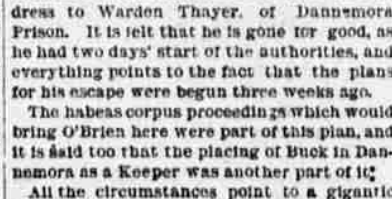
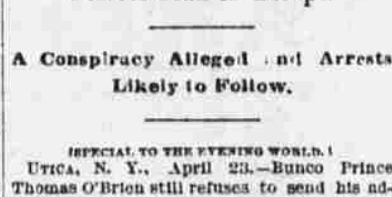
The officers searched Stockley's house, and a hundred explosive pieces of gas-pipe fitted with triggers, wire fuses and dynamite, and in large quantities.

These dangerous things were removed to a place of safety, and Stockley will be dealt with when his term in prison has expired.

## BRIDGES TO JERSEY.

The Green Bill Favors in Congress and Another Introduced.

## THE WEEK'S EVENTS IN BLACK AND WHITE.



## THE CAPTAINS ARE IN A FIGHT.

Since Byrnes succeeded Patrick Murray, Republicans denounce him.

Before the shrine of sanity Quay, Disease was not much to his taste, So Perceval "resigned" in haste.

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## THE FOX-BORROWE DUEL.

Rumor that It Will Be Fought in Belgium To-Day.

London, April 23.—The latest reports concerning the prospective duel between Fox and Borrowe, growing out of the publication of the letters in the Borrowe-Drayton affair, are that the parties have fixed upon some place in Belgium as the scene of the combat.

It is said that the duel will be fought to-day.

It is rumored that Borrowe was seen in London yesterday.

SIGNED BY THE GOVERNOR.

The Park Police and Madison Avenue Bill's Become Law.

ALBANY, April 23.—Gov. Flower has signed the following:

Chapter 365.—Grading the New York park police.

Chapter 367.—Authorizing the expenditure of \$150,000 for a long island (this school building).

Chapter 368.—Prohibiting the construction of an underground elevated railroad on Madison avenue, New York city, unless the consent of a majority of the property owners on the avenue is given and another be obtained.

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## BEAT HER WITH A HAMMER.

Piano-Maker Keck Charged with Brutality to His Little Girl.

She and Her Brothers Taken in Charge by the Children's Society.

Caroline Keck, a sad-faced girl of thirteen years, whose back and arms are covered with bruises, and her two brothers, Joseph and Alexander, aged twelve and seven years respectively, were committed to the care of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children by Justice Wells, in the Harlem Police Court, to-day. They are alleged victims of brutality.

Joseph Keck, their father, is a piano-maker, living at 523 East One Hundred and Fifteenth street. According to the girl, she was beaten by him with a hammer about her arms and body on the 10th and 20th of April, the first time being on the 10th, when she was twelve years old, and the second on the 20th, when she was thirteen.

She said she had been beaten and again because she had failed to say "good-by" to a visitor.

Mrs. Luisa Keck, the mother of the children, died on Washington's birthday of last year, and since then Keck, it is said, has neglected and beaten his children, sometimes without the slightest reason.

Last Wednesday evening a female friend of Keck's paid a visit to the house. The children did not like the visitor, and when she finally left they did not bid her good-by. For that trivial reason, it is alleged, Keck gave his children a terrible beating, and wound up his brutality, it is said, by punishing Caroline with a hammer until she was back and blue.

Caroline's cries on this occasion were heard by neighbors, who interfered and made the father stop by threatening him with arrest. Yesterday Agents McManus and Moore, of the Children's Society, heard of the case and they took the children away.

On the evidence of the children Justice Wells issued a warrant for Keck's arrest.

Three Men Instantly Killed.

And Three More, Hurt by a Wall's Collapse, Will Probably Die.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., April 23.—Three men were instantly killed and four injured, three probably fatally, by the collapse of a forty-foot brick wall in the County Court-house at Jacksonville, Washington County, yesterday.